

STATE BAR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
HEARING DEPARTMENT – SAN FRANCISCO

In the Matter of ) Case No.: 10-TR-02147-LMA  
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SEAN CURTIS HICKEY, )  
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Member No. 159116, ) ORDER OF INVOLUNTARY  
) INACTIVE ENROLLMENT  
) (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 6007, subd. (b)(2))  
A Member of the State Bar. )

This matter is before the court on the motion for involuntary inactive enrollment that the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar of California (hereafter OCTC) filed on April 2, 2010. In its motion, OCTC seeks to have Attorney SEAN CURTIS HICKEY involuntarily enrolled as an inactive member of the State Bar of California under Business and Professions Code section 6007, subdivision (b)(2).<sup>1</sup> OCTC properly served a copy of its motion on Attorney Hickey. (Rules Proc. of State Bar, rule 411(b).) But Attorney Hickey did not file a response to the motion.

Attached to OCTC's motion is a copy of a superior court order assuming jurisdiction over Attorney Hickey's law practice. (See order filed July 30, 2009, in *In the Matter of the Assumption of Jurisdiction Over the Law Practice of Sean Hickey, State Bar Membership No. 159116*, Alameda County Superior Court case number RG 09443793.) The superior court

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<sup>1</sup> Of course, only active member of the State Bar of California may lawfully practice law in this state. (Bus. & Prof. Code, §§ 6125, 6126.)

assumed jurisdiction over Hickey's practice under Business and Professions Code section 6190 et seq. The superior court's order does not provide for any exceptions to the court's assumption of jurisdiction over Hickey's practice (i.e., the court assumed jurisdiction over Hickey's entire practice).

This court finds that the evidence clearly and convincingly shows that an order involuntarily enrolling Attorney Hickey as an inactive member of the State Bar of California is appropriate under Business and Professions Code section 6007, subdivision (b)(2). (Rules Proc. of State Bar, rule 412(a).)

### **ORDER**

The court orders that OCTC's April 2, 2010 motion for involuntary inactive enrollment is GRANTED. Accordingly, the court further orders that Attorney SEAN CURTIS HICKEY be involuntarily enrolled as an inactive member of the State Bar of California (Bus. & Prof. Code, § 6007, subd. (b)(2)) effective three days after service of this order by mail (Rules Proc. of State Bar, rule 414).

Dated: May 10, 2010.

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**LUCY ARMENDARIZ**  
Judge of the State Bar Court